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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act providing for voluntary contributions to public safety
- 2 agencies during vehicle registration renewal.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. <u>NEW SECTION</u>. 321.44B Voluntary contribution 2 public safety agencies.
- For each application for vehicle registration renewal,
- 4 the county treasurer or the department shall request through
- 5 use of a written form, and if the application is made in
- 6 person, through verbal communication, that an applicant make a
- 7 voluntary contribution of one dollar or more, computed to the
- 8 nearest whole dollar, to an entity designated in subsection 2
- 9 or another public safety agency as defined in section 34.1.
- 10 2. The applicant may designate the voluntary contribution
- 11 to go to a local police department, an office of a county
- 12 sheriff, a local emergency medical service provider, a local
- 13 fire department, the division of state patrol of the department
- 14 of public safety, or another public safety agency, or a
- 15 combination of such entities provided each entity receives one
- 16 dollar or more, computed to the nearest whole dollar.
- 3. One hundred percent of the moneys collected by the
- 18 county and one hundred percent of the moneys collected by the
- 19 department in the form of contributions shall be remitted to
- 20 the applicable entity as designated by the applicant.
- 21 4. The department shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 17A
- 22 to administer this section.
- 23 Sec. 2. Section 331.557, subsection 1, Code 2021, is amended
- 24 to read as follows:
- 25 l. Issue, renew, and replace lost or damaged vehicle
- 26 registration cards or plates and issue and transfer
- 27 certificates of title for vehicles, and collect voluntary
- 28 contributions, as provided in sections 321.17 to through
- 29 321.52.
- 30 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 33 This bill requires the department of transportation and
- 34 county treasurers to request that a person make a voluntary
- 35 contribution of \$1 or more, computed to the nearest whole

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- 1 dollar, to the person's choice of a local or state public
- 2 safety agency when renewing the registration of a vehicle.
- 3 Public safety agency means a functional unit of a public agency
- 4 that provides fire fighting, law enforcement, ambulance,
- 5 medical, or other emergency services, including but not limited
- 6 to entities such as a local police department, an office of a
- 7 county sheriff, a local emergency medical service provider, a
- 8 local fire department, and the division of state patrol of the
- 9 department of public safety. A person may elect to contribute
- 10 to more than one public safety agency if each agency receives
- ll at least \$1.